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## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday, June 12, 2007**

**4:00 pm – 6:00 p.m.**

**AARP California State Office  
Sacramento, California**

### **I. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call and Establish Quorum**

Commissioner Esquivel called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and roll call was taken.

**Commissioners Present:** Lily Chen, Jim Davis, Celia Esquivel, Shannon Glavaz, Karen Josephson

**Commissioners Excused:** Hank Lacayo, Hav Staggs

**Staff:** Sandra Fitzpatrick, Carol Sewell

**Guest:** Eric Astacáan, aging and long term care policy consultant for Assembly Speaker Nuñez.

A quorum was present.

### **II. Approve Agenda**

The Executive Committee agenda was reviewed.

M/S/C (Davis/Glavaz)

**TO APPROVE THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA FOR JUNE 12, 2007.**

### **III. Public Comments**

Astacáan commended the CCoA for dealing with difficult issues.

### **IV. SB 491 (Alquist) and the California Integrated Senior Advocacy Network**

The Executive Committee reviewed the status of SB 491 (Alquist) and the California Integrated Senior Advocacy Network proposal. Fitzpatrick reported that neither TACC nor C4A had taken action to support the process.

#### **A. Amended bill language**

Fitzpatrick reported that SB 491 was held in Appropriations; Senator Alquist remained committed to moving the bill forward.

#### **B. Grant Proposal status**

The steps leading up to submission of the \$1 million draft grant request to the California HealthCare Foundation (CHCF) were reviewed. CHCF rejected the request, offering instead to consider a \$25,000 planning grant. A revised proposal by Arnett included a \$300,000 budget, which was forwarded to CHCF prior to the CCoA's approval.

### **C. Appointment of Ad Hoc Committee – POTENTIAL ACTION**

No action.

### **D. Next steps**

Fitzpatrick noted that the initial agreement for CCoA involvement was contingent upon the receipt of funding. The grant's denial, weak commitments from partner organizations and other factors have shifted the momentum. The Committee discussed the procedural problems with the poor planning and limited stakeholder involvement in development of the proposal.

Staff was directed to convey to Senator Alquist and Assemblymember Berg the Commission's commitment to helping in the development of legislation to address shortfalls in the aging service delivery system. The CCoA's advocacy activities would be decided through the upcoming retreat process.

## **V. Future Field Hearings**

### **A. August 2007; Affordable Housing**

Fitzpatrick reported that the selected topic for the August field hearing would be affordable housing. Commissioner Rodriquez is assisting with speaker identification.

### **B. October 2007; Transitional Care**

The CCoA was invited by Assemblymember Berg to participate in a hearing at the State Capitol in October on Transitional Care.

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**TO CO-SPONSOR THE OCTOBER FIELD HEARING WITH THE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON AGING AND LONG TERM CARE.**

### **C. December 2007; Fall Prevention**

CCoA had previously been invited to meet with the Fall Prevention Center of Excellence, for its December 2007 meeting. The field hearing will focus on fall prevention and will be held concurrently with a Fall Prevention Summit.

## **VI. CSL Proposal: Senior Center Bond Act**

CCoA had been consulted on development of senior center infrastructure legislation proposed by Senior Legislature member Pat Trotter. Fitzpatrick noted that the 1984 Senior Center Bond Act had a positive impact. The Committee discussed CCoA's role in developing legislation and agreed that the Advocacy and Policy Committee should decide on the level of involvement.

## **VII. California Foundation on Aging**

### **A. Articles of Incorporation.**

Fitzpatrick outlined the history of the California Foundation on Aging (CFoA), the 501(c) 3 created in 1988 to hold non-state funds for the CCoA, Senior Legislature, TACC and other state entities. Component funds are established for each organization. CFoA has a self-determined board of directors.

**B. Memorandum of Understanding.**

The proposed CFoA MOU for 2007 was reviewed. The Committee agreed to change the approval process for accessing funds from the CFoA component fund so that checks requested in amounts over \$1,000 would require the approval of two Executive Committee members, with one being either the Chair or Vice Chair. Fitzpatrick proposed that fund status reports be sent to both the Chair and to the Executive Director, rather than the Chair only. She agreed to clarify with the CFoA how the cost of audits would be addressed. The Committee suggested that future MOUs be reviewed annually or bi-annually.

**C. Next steps toward reviewing the MOU.**

Staff was asked to research and draft revised MOU language for approval at the August meeting.

**VIII. SB 434 (Romero)**

Sewell outlined the history and progress of SB 434 (Romero), which proposed placing responsibility for development of the state's Long-Term Care system with the CCoA. A draft letter expressing concerns over CCoA's inclusion in the bill was reviewed and changes recommended.

M/S/C (Chen/Davis)

**TO AUTHORIZE ESQUIVEL TO SIGN LETTER.**

**IX. Executive Director's Report**

Fitzpatrick distributed a timeline of staff work on AB 927 to demonstrate the effort required in co-sponsoring legislation.

An invitation was received from California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform to participate in a stakeholder event on RCFEs.

Fitzpatrick presented CCoA's financial statements for May.

**X. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 6 p.m.